



## The Avanti PRE Curriculum

### Exercise Sheet 7.2.5a

#### Group Exercise: "Plato's Cave Analogy"



*The sheet may be copied and handed out to student groups or displayed by the teacher (for all students to see).*

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Please do two things in your group:

1. Answer the 5-6 questions below (about 5 minutes).
2. Write a short play showing Plato's cave analogy (about 2-3 minutes long)

So, please answer the questions quickly, so that you can begin preparing your short drama.

#### Questions:

What do the following things (in the analogy) represent (in the real world)?

1. The prisoners (who do they represent?).
2. Their chains?
3. The cave (what world does it represent)?
4. Outside the cave (what world does it represent)?
5. The man who gets free (who does he represent)?

**Extension Question:** (only if you have time!)

6. Why don't the prisoners believe the free man, when he returns and tells them that there is another world, outside of their dark cave?

Now, please start writing your short play! You may have to present it very soon.

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